

11 February 1957

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Special Support Assistant, DD/S

**VIA:** Acting Chief, PP Staff

**SUBJECT:** Stockpiling of Materiel for Cold War Contingencies

**REFERENCES:**

- a. Memorandum for DD/S, From DD/P, dated 21 December 1956, above Subject
- b. Memorandum for DCI, From CPP, dated 19 January 1957, "Report of Staff Action on Stockpiling of Materiel for Cold War Contingency Operations"

1. It is desired to call to your attention a misstatement in paragraph 7 of Reference b, which unfortunately was not detected prior to the acceptance of the recommendation in paragraph 8 by the Director of Central Intelligence. The purpose of this memorandum is to correct this error and to insure a complete and correct understanding on the part of all interested components of the Agency.

2. The first sentence of paragraph 7 reads as follows:

"7. DD/P with DD/S concurrence, has placed the responsibility for determining Cold War contingency materiel stockpile levels, the contemplated areas of use and for acquiring and maintaining those stocks upon the PP Staff as a continuing function."

It has never been the intention of the PP Staff to assume responsibility for acquiring and maintaining stocks. The true statement of the intent of Reference b is more properly expressed in paragraphs 5 and 6 of Reference a, which has the concurrences of both DD/P and DD/S. We

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consider the words "and for acquiring and maintaining those stocks" are improper and should be deleted from Reference b.

3. It would be appreciated if you would communicate the above to DD/S and interested components of DD/S in order to clarify this matter.



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